

# Congress kills Foster veto

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University Congress President Gary Foster had the first veto of his term overturned by Congress at a special meeting finals week. Foster's veto was overridden 17-3.

Foster vetoed "the Information Program on the Athletic Fee," approved at Congress' April 19th meeting. The motion calls for University Congress to conduct a campus-wide information program on the Students Athletics Fee to inform

the students on the issue, for Congress to, "determine the necessity of a student referendum based on the recommendation of OURCOST."

An amendment to the motion proposed by Congressman Wil Biddlingmeier gave Congress' endorsement to the Athletics Fee in any referendum situation. Foster has publicly questioned the fee's validity.

The motion originally appeared on the agenda with Foster as the sponsor seconded by Congressman Don

Fuller. Foster withdrew his name from the motion at the April 19th meeting, and accused the Steering Committee of "tampering with it."

Foster said he vetoed the motion because he felt it was just a way of Congress' avoiding dealing with the Athletic Fee problem.

"My goal is for Congress to make their decision (to hold a referendum or not.) I don't think Congress should sidetrack the issue again," Foster said at the April 19th meeting

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## Visiting composer 'a performer first'

By Lee Moorhead  
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Aaron Copland, who sees himself "as a performer first, definitely," doubts that he will do much, if any, composing in the future. "I think the only reason I can give you . . . is that I've had fifty years in which to express myself."

And Copland expressed himself very well on several other subjects at a press luncheon in the Oakland Center on May 11.

When asked if this country will survive rock, Copland replied, "The whole definition of popular music is to do something different than the last guy . . . We will survive (rock), yes . . . people will have to dream up other things. I doubt we will go backwards. Normally some bright young people come along and start to write a somewhat different type of popular music. When it becomes the fashion, you go on to something else . . . there's always an urge to do that, not just copy what has come before."

He does not care much for jazz, feeling it is "limited. In my own terms, I think it would be difficult to do with jazz what Beethoven did in the Ninth Symphony . . . It has its limitations, and I think one of them is that it seems to concern itself with the lighter moods and the expression of lighter moods. "In the first place, the fact that music, in our field — concert music — lasts over a certain period of time . . . it makes a big difference in the creative aspect. It's one thing to write a tune or a song that everyone can sing. It's another thing to write a

half-hour symphony that makes sense from beginning to end. And in that sense — from where I sit — the popular composer of today is terribly limited."

He also considers it "one of the great mysteries that women have not been that represented in the field of serious music . . . in the creation of it, that is. The scene has changed seriously, nowadays. There's many more young women involved in writing music, much more than in the past. That's a good sign . . ."

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## Library checkoff nixed

The library checkoff fee approved by Congress at its April 19 meeting has been nixed by President O'Dowd. The fee was supposed to provide students a chance to support the library by donating \$1 through a registration checkoff system similar to PIRGIM's or the Village's. O'Dowd killed the plan in favor of a mandatory \$1 library fee similar to the Athletic fee. A referendum on this fee will be held sometime next fall. O'Dowd said he killed the checkoff because a referendum on a fee of this type was a "tradition."

## Budget deficit could hike OC fee

By Mark Clausen  
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The proposed 1978-79 OC budget is almost \$95,000 in the red, and students may have to finance the bulk of that deficit if recommendations from the Office of Student Life are adopted by OU President Donald O'Dowd and the Board of Trustees.

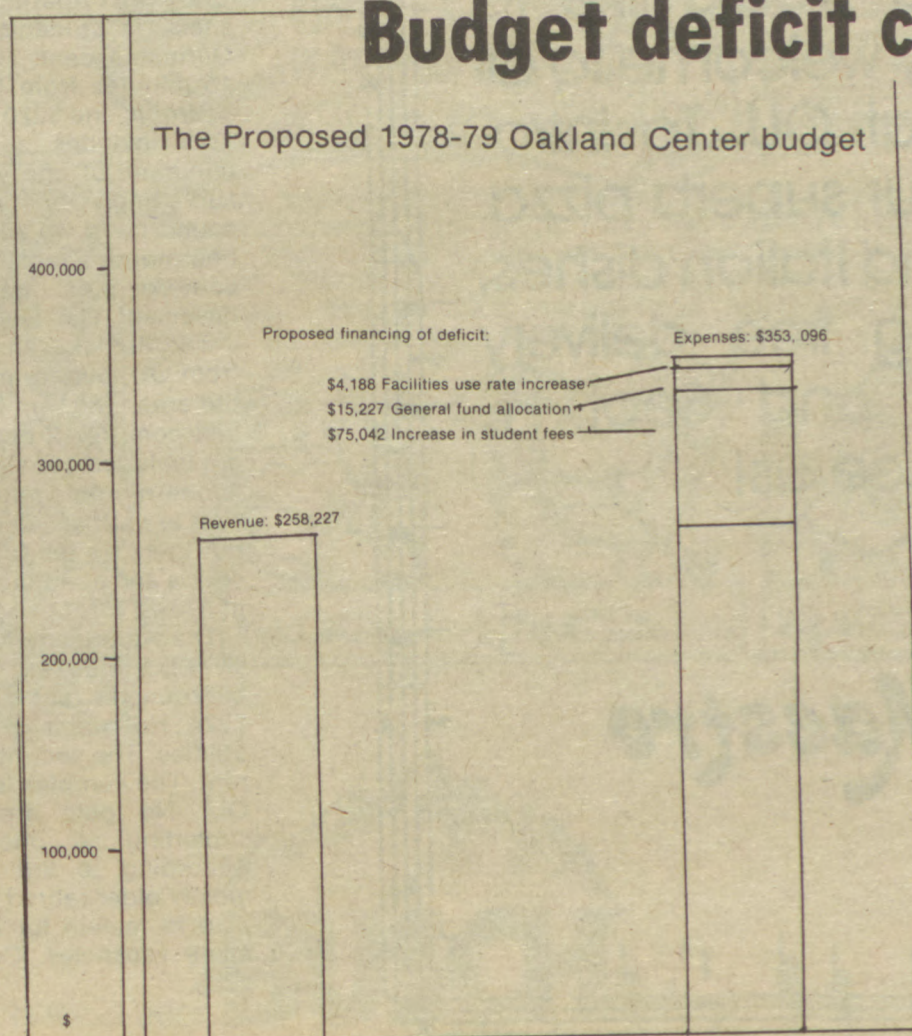
Jack Wilson, dean for student life, said he made a "personal recommendation" for a "raise of 50 percent in the (Oakland Center) student fee (an increase of \$5.00 per semester per student), a 100 percent increase in rental fees," and a \$15,339 allocation from the general fund above and beyond the amount requested from the general fund for facilities use charge.

Student fees already provide the OC with \$178,068, 69 percent of its revenue; the increase in the fee would provide \$75,042 more. The \$10 OC student fee has not been changed since its implementation in 1970.

According to Wilson, there are only three alternatives to eliminating the proposed deficit: increasing student fees, increasing the general fund allocation, or cutting back services.

University Congress President Gary Foster agreed that the OC budget was a "serious university problem" but added that

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## Apartments provide housing choices

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With on-campus housing prices rising (\$77 this year), more students are considering living off-campus.

The search for an apartment that's the "one for you" can be a frustrating and time-consuming task. To make the search a bit easier, the Sail conducted a survey of some apartments located near OU.

A few things should be kept in mind when searching. First, the rent price is not always the basis to use in deciding which apartment is cheapest, or most reasonable. Keep an eye out for additional fees that can really add up if they apply to you, such as recreational membership fees, pet fees and subletting charges.

Before you sign your lease, make sure you understand all terms. Security deposits are often required. Be sure you know how much the deposit is, and when it is to be paid.

Following is information about the apartments surveyed. Those included are in the \$200-\$250 per month rent range. All are near OU. As an OU student, you are by no means limited in your choice of apartments. There are at least 75 complexes easily accessible to OU, several which welcome students.

Five miles away from OU are the Riverhouse Park Apartments. According to the rental agent, Kenny Crowder, it's "first come, first serve." The rent for a 1 bedroom apartment is \$125; for two bedrooms \$155. All utilities are included in the rent. Only one month's lease is required. No subletting is allowed, and no pets either. No recreational facilities are available. Call Kenny at 335-4848.

The Ridgemont Apartments are close, and the prices are about average. For a 1 bedroom apartment the rent is \$230, 2 bedroom, \$265 and three bedroom, \$295. All utilities are included but electricity. There's a waiting list, but according to the rental agent it's not long. Pets are permitted for \$15 per month. A one year lease is required. Recreational facilities are available, and there's no charge for use. The security deposit required is one month's rent. Call Mr. Reoch at 858-2370.

According to the rental agent, Doris, at the Grand Prix Apartments, they love students. "We'll sneak in students," she said with her cheery German accent. The Grand Prix Apartments are 15 minutes from OU. The rent is \$190 for a 1 bedroom and \$220 for a two bedroom apartment. This includes all utilities but electricity. A minimum of one year lease is required. As for subletting, Doris says, "You talk to us. If you sound good we sublet." The security deposit is one month's rent. There's a pool available, and coin-operated washers and dryers in the basement. Call Doris at 334-7171.

The Patrick Henry Apartments are only 1 mile from OU, but are more expensive than others in the area. The rent is \$225-250 per month for a 1 bedroom; for 2 bedroom, \$255-265. All utilities are included but electricity. The security deposit is one month's rent, and there's no waiting list. Pets are not allowed. Subletting is possible here, but there's a fee for it. A swimming pool, tennis courts and a sauna are available. Call Judy Walter at 373-6770.

The American Heritage Complex is inexpensive, but there's a long waiting list. For a one bedroom the rent is \$180-205; for a two bedroom, \$224. Hot water is included; you pay the other utilities. The security deposit is the same as the rent. The complex is 10 to 15 minutes away from OU. No pets are allowed and there's no subletting. A one year lease is required. According to the rental agent, Mildred Lee, mostly older retired people reside here and most plan to remain for 7 to 8 years, so there aren't many vacancies. Contact Mildred Lee at 673-2226.

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# A short guide to the habits of OU's Public Safety

There are two questions most often asked by new students. One is, "Where is the nearest beer store?" and the other is, "Are there any cops around here?"

Once you have found the answer to the first question the answer to the second

usually becomes all too apparent. The "cops" are Public Safety and they are the ones towing your car away for parking in a fire lane.

OU's police force, the Department of Public Safe-

ty, is staffed by 17 officers sworn in by the Oakland County Sheriff's Department. Additionally, there are two student marshals who are also sworn deputies who enforce parking regulations.

The Director of Public

Safety is Chief Richard Leonard and his office is located in the Public Safety building which is south of the main university entrance.

Giving away parking tickets is a favorite pastime of Public Safety, so it is a good idea to become acquainted with the parking regulations.

According to Chief Leonard, "There are ample places to park, it is just that not everyone will be able to park right in front of their (continued on page 4)

## Congress-continued

Fuller, an OURCOST committee member who has been investigating the athletic fee, opposed Foster's stance for a referendum saying, "If University Congress can't make a decision, why should we expect 10,000 diverse students to make one?"

Foster said that the OURCOST committee has been investigating the fee for several months, and had already submitted reports to the Congress, and indicated he felt Congress was informed enough to make a decision. He said he'd rather Congress decide to hold a referendum, than be forced to hold one through student petition.

"There will be a referendum," he said. "I think we'll be forced to call one, but I think Congress should call it."

Congress referred investigation of the Athletic Fee to the OURCOST committee on March 29. Since then, OURCOST submitted two reports to Congress, one regarding the history of the Athletics Fee and the other based on a student survey about the fee.

The "Information Program on the Athletics Fee" motion passed at the April 19th meeting, Congressman Don Fuller suspected that Foster would veto the motion. He obtained signatures from Congressmembers at the meeting to insure their presence at a special session if one had to be held.

The veto meeting lasted 20 minutes. Congressmember Bill Tweitmeyer spoke for the motion, and Foster spoke against. A new congressmember, Gary Morehead was elected to Congress to vote on the veto motion.

The motion to override the veto was made by Chuck Holzman and seconded by Amy Sipes.

The "Information Program on the Athletics Fee" stands as follows: Be it resolved that University Congress conduct a campus-wide information program on the Student Athletic Fee. University Congress shall determine the necessity of a student referendum based on the recommendation of OURCOST to be submitted by September 18, 1978. The timetable of the possible referendum shall be determined by the Elections Commission.

## Mountaineering #1.

# FUNDAMENTALS OF MOUNTAINEERING

What is mountaineering all about? Funny you should ask. Because we just happen to have an answer. (Ah-h, life's little coincidences.) Mountaineering is a skill, a science and an art. Yet anyone with a thirst for excellence and normally developed motor skills can master it. Simply study these fundamentals and follow them faithfully

**1** Step one, appropriately enough, starts by selecting the correct site. To do so, pick up a bottle of Busch. This is commonly called heading for the mountains.

**2** Okay, here's where the fun begins. Hold the mountain firmly in your left hand, grasp the mountain top with your right hand and twist the little fella off. There you go.

**3** Now for the tricky part. Neophytes, listen up: the proper pour is straight down the center of the glass. Only in this way will the cold, invigorating taste of the mountain come to a head.

**4** Once poured, pacing becomes paramount. As any seasoned mountaineer will tell you, the only way to down a mountain is slowly, smoothly and steadily - savoring every swallow of the brew that is Busch. If you're a bit awkward at first, don't be discouraged. Perfection takes practice. Soon enough, having emptied your glass and filled your soul, you too will be a mountaineer.

**Fig. 1** Before Mountaineering. **Fig. 2** During Mountaineering. **Fig. 3** After Mountaineering.



Don't just reach for a beer. **BUSCH** Head for the mountains.



## Public Safety-continued

classroom door." This is true.

There are three designated overnight parking lots. These are the west half of the Sports and Recreation lot, the Vandenberg lot, and the North lot. All other lots are day lots only and cars left overnight are ticketed or towed.

The speed limit on campus is 25 mph and is enforced although Public Safety has no radar. All roads are fire lanes unless posted otherwise and parking in them will result in ticketing and towing. It is also wise not to park too

long in the 15 minute zones because they are patrolled religiously.

The parking lots have "primary patrol priority" but several cars have been broken into and stolen so remember to lock your car and put valuables in the trunk.

There are three entrances to OU. The main west entrance is open at all times. The far eastern entrance is closed at 7 p.m. and the Vandenberg entrance is closed at midnight.

Public Safety can be reached 24 hours a day at 7-3331.

## Deficit-continued

he believed "an increase in the general fund" would be a better way to alleviate the deficit than by increasing the student OC fee.

"As a function of my office," he said, "I can't support any kind of mandatory fee increase. Foster also said cutting back OC opera-

tions was not a feasible alternative, saying the university "cannot afford" cuts in OC operations.

According to OC Director Bill Marshall, additional revenue is desperately needed to keep the building in proper working order. "It would take \$50,000-60,000 more per year to make major project replacements if we wish to maintain the same environment as 1977-78."

Part of the deficit contains two of the "major project replacements": replacement and remodeling of the furniture in the Iron Kettle, and major renovations for student organizations offices.

Other major renovations and refurbishing projects needed in the OC, according to Marshall, are hallway carpeting replacement, roof replacement, and renovation of the air movement systems.

The budget was conceived by Marshall and submitted to the Vice Presidential level by Wilson's office. It has been reviewed by Vice Presidents Kenneth Coffmann (VP for student affairs) and Robert Swanson (VP for business affairs), and although Wilson has not received any formal response from them to the budget or its recommendations, "they didn't say no," said Wilson.

After review by the Vice Presidents, it was sent to President O'Dowd for his approval. If there were no policy changes and O'Dowd approved, the budget would be official. However, a hike in the student fee is a policy change and therefore must be approved by the Board of Trustees. It is possible that the Board could approve the recommendation at its July or August meeting and OU students could return from summer vacation to a fee increase there was nothing mentioned about during the 1977-78 year.

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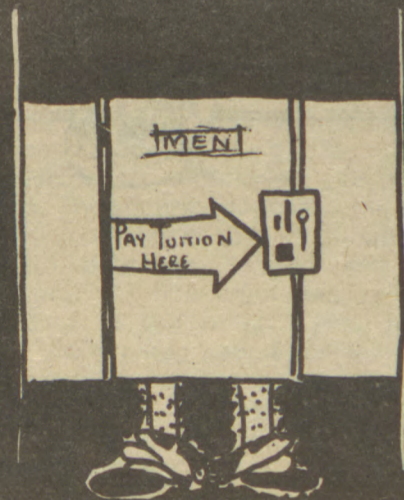


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the various Professors here at O.U. to make their contributions to our knowledge.

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